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For. SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE WITH STACK OF SEMICONDUCTOR CHIPS

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF DRAWING CHANGES

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir:

The Examiner's approval of the drawing corrections indicated in red ink on the attached sheet of drawings is respectfully requested.

Upon receipt of approval of the drawing corrections and a formal Notice of Allowance, a bonded draftsman will be retained and the appropriate corrections will be made.

In the event any fees are required in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment: 2 Sheets of Corrected Drawings (Figs. 1 and 2)